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SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" With your permission, Mr. Speaker, Sir, I would request the Hon. Chief Minister to place on the table of the House the answers to the questions that have been put to-day for which he said that he had called for information, as soon as he gets the information called for, even without our asking for the same, because we are very anxious to know the answers."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" I have no objection, Sir, to place what are called ' written answers ' as soon as the information is received."

RAJA MUTHIAH CHETTIAR OF CHETTINAD :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, you have been good enough to say that the answers to the rest of the questions will be printed in the proceedings. On certain occasions when important questions come up before the House and hon. Members are anxious to put supplementary questions, it is usual to include those questions in the list of questions for the next day. Therefore may I request you, Mr. Speaker, that question No. 230 be included in the list of questions for tomorrow?"

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member has been a Member of the Legislature for a long time and is well acquainted with the procedure followed in these cases. If the hon. Member who has put the question desires that it should be answered on the floor of the House tomorrow, he should make a request to me in writing before 12 noon to-day."

RAJA MUTHIAH CHETTIAR OF CHETTINAD :—" I shall do so, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member cannot do so because he has not put the question No. 230 [a]. It is the hon. Member, Mr. M. Muni Reddi who has to do so."

RAJA MUTHIAH CHETTIAR OF CHETTINAD :—" Then I shall have to look to Mr. M. Muni Reddi, Sir." (Laughter.)

Village-site price of paddy in Tiruchirappalli and Tanjore districts.

*231 *Q.*—SRI P. RANGASWAMY REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the village-site price of paddy in Tiruchirappalli and Tanjore districts ;

(*b*) the allowance given to procuring agents, millers and wholesalers ;

(*c*) the surcharge, sales tax, etc., collected by the Government;

(*d*) the f.o.r. price of rice in Tiruchirappalli and Tanjore ; and

[a] Question No. 230 postponed for answer on 26th July 1952.

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(e) whether the Government would place on the table of the House the detailed working sheet showing the difference between the village-site price and f.o.r. price?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The answer [a] as placed on the table of the House."

Number of gruel centres in Palnad taluk.

* 232 Q.—SRI M. BAPAIAH CHOWDARY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) how many villages in Palnad taluk, Guntur district, were declared as famine area;

(b) how many gruel centres were opened by the Government in these villages;

(c) what is the amount spent so far for maintaining them; and

(d) whether they are still continued?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) Ten villages in Palnad taluk, Guntur district are considered as affected by adverse seasonal conditions.

" (b) Two gruel centres have been opened by the Government in Palnad taluk, besides nine centres run by non-official agencies.

" (c) Rs. 2,500 by the Government.

" (d) Yes."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR THE YEAR 1952-53—*cont.*

(1) DEMAND XXVIII—ELECTRICITY—*cont.*

MR. SPEAKER :—" I fix the time limit for each hon. Member as five minutes. The hon. Member Mr. P. K. Gopalakrishnan will now speak."

* SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN :—" I rise to support the cut motion moved by Mr. S. S. Kolkebail. In this connexion I want to bring to the notice of Government the necessity for starting hydro-electric projects in Malabar. Many hydro-electric schemes have been provided in the five-year plan, for different parts of the State but I do not find even a single scheme for Malabar. In Malabar we have plenty of water resources. But the pity is that they are not harnessed for agricultural purposes and for the development of hydro-electricity.

" All hon. Members should know that if properly developed, Malabar is bound to become an industrial area of importance.

[a] Printed as Appendix on page 350 infra.